IN THE CLAIMS:

The following Listing of Claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

- 1. (Canceled)
- 2. (Canceled)
- 3. (Canceled)
- 4. (Currently Amended) A patient levitation apparatus for a patient comprising: a patient board having a patient side and a bottom, the patient board approved for use in a hospital; and

a plenum member attached to the bottom of the patient board, wherein the plenum member is adapted to receive a flow of pressurized air through an intake port, the patient board having an intake port hole adapted for receiving the intake port, and the plenum member further adapted to release the flow through a plurality of holes in the plenum member to provide a layer of air below the patient board supporting the patient.

- 5. (Previously Added) The patient levitation apparatus of claim 4, wherein the plenum member further includes an intake port for receiving the flow of pressurized air.
- 6. (Canceled)
- 7. (Previously Added) The patient levitation apparatus of claim 4, wherein the flow of pressurized air is delivered from a blower motor through an air hose.
- 8. (Currently Amended) A patient levitation apparatus for a patient comprising:

a patient board having a patient side and a bottom, the patient board approved for use in a hospital; and

a plenum member attached to the bottom of the patient board, wherein the plenum member is adapted to receive a flow of pressurized air and release the flow downwardly through a plurality of holes in the plenum member to provide a layer of air below the patient board supporting the patient.

9. (New) A patient levitation apparatus for a patient comprising:

a patient board having a patient side and a bottom, the patient board adapted for use on a hospital bed; and

a plenum member attached to the bottom of the patient board, wherein the plenum member is adapted to receive a flow of pressurized air and release the flow downwardly through a plurality of holes in the plenum member to provide a layer of air below the patient board supporting the patient.